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#### FOREWORD

A S notes and chords are to music; as single letters and syllables are to literature; so fundamental "temps" and steps are to dancing. They are the alphabet of the ballet—the basis of countless combinations with an unlimited scope of expression.

Any theme may be portrayed in dance. A great ballet master's creations are perfectly planned pictures, well balanced in design—every mood or emotion carefully colored—outlined and built with phrases and their climaxes developing into the main climax of each complete theme.

A clear understanding of the basic steps, while of course a necessity to the performer, will bring much joy to the spectator of good dancing. Any sort of dance, from the Two-Step to the Nautch, can be analyzed and found to be composed of these fundamentals, with superficial variations.

Ballet theory, when put into practise under the guidance of a good teacher, becomes a delightful source of knowledge pursued with keen pleasure.

To attain the style of a "premiere danseuse" requires a natural genius for the art and long hours of diligent drill. But the magical results gained in even the elementary training are well worth the time given to this most beautiful art—the possession of a means of making oneself and others happy.

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HE IMPERIAL RUSSIAN BALLET SCHOOL, maintained by the Russian government, under the Czar, was unquestionably the greatest institution of its character in the world.

Mr. Kosloff entered that school at Moscow when he was ten years of age, a spirited, talented boy, and after years of study was graduated at a time when the school had reached its highest development.

To be a graduate of such an institution implies more than a thorough knowledge of the history and technique of dancing in its every form, and more than a supposition that the pupil has become master of dance performance; it implies that the graduate has become well versed in other arts and sciences—a highly sensitized creature—an artist.

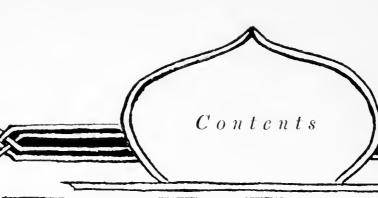
After his training, Mr. Kosloff made a tour of Europe at the head of his own company, winning honors.

He came to America five years ago, and, since then, has divided his time between his many well-known stage productions, his own performances, and teaching in the studio.

As a teacher he is eminently successful. His clientele includes the best of both the amateur and professional worlds. Among the professionals he has trained many who are public idols today.

Mr. Kosloff is working toward the further development in America of the art in which Russia excelled.

THE EDITOR.



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Technical Terms Translated

à, to, from, at, on. abaissé, lowered. adagio (Italian), slow. air, air allegro (Italian), rapid. arabesque, an inclined attitude. arrière, behind, backward. assemblé, collected. attitude, position, attitude. avant, forward. balancé, balanced, balance-step. ballonné, inflated, balloon-step. ballotté, tossed, tossed-step. basque, Biscayan. battement, beating. battu, beaten or struck. boiteux, limping. bondissant, bounding. - 16 bourrée, a faggot, stuffed, a dance. bras, arm. brisé, broken. cabriole, a gambol, a jumping step. chaîné, chain-like. changé, changed. changement, the act of changing. chassé, chased, hunted. chat, cat. cheval, horse. cinq, five. ciceaux, scissors. côté, side. cou-de-pied, ankle or instep. coup, a stroke or kick. coupé, cut. courant, running. croisé, crossed, crossing. cuisse, thigh. de, of, from, by, out of. dedans, inward. dégagé, disengaged. dehors, outwards. demi, half. dessous, behind, under. dessus, in front, over. deux, two. développé, to unfold. droit, right. écarté, spread. échappé, escaped. effacé, effaced (one shoulder). élevé, raised. en, in, into. on, to, by, at. enchaînement, step combination. entrechat, a woven or braided step.

épaulement, shoulders diagonally turned. face, face, front. Flic-Flac, flicking-step. fermé, closed. fouetté, whipped. frappé, pounded sharply. frotté, rubbed. gauche, left. glissé, glided. glissade, gliding. grand, grande, strong, large, deep, high. huit, eight. jambe, leg. jeté, thrown. - p. 86 la, le, l', the. levé, lifted. latéral, latéreaux, side, lateral. ou, or. ouvert, open. pas, step. passé, passed. petit, small. pied, foot. pirouette, turn on one foot. piqué, stabbed, pricked. plié, bended (of the knee). port, carriage, deportment. quatre, four. relevé, raised again. renversé, reversed, turned over. rond, ronde, circle. Royal, royal. sauté, jumping. - 36 seconde, second. sept, seven. serré, constricted, not free, bound, confined. sissonne, a dance (ciseaux). soubresaut, a surprise jump. sous, under. sur, upon. talon, heel. talonneé, heeled. taper, to stamp, to pound. temps, a dance syllable. tendu, stretched, stiff, tense. terre, the ground, the floor. tire-bouchon, cork-screw. tortillé, twisted. tournant, turning. tour, turn, figure. trois, three. zéphire, zephyr, a gentle breeze.



Practise room should be scrupulously clean—no dust.

Sprinkle the floor frequently to keep it from being slippery.

In class rooms there should be bars (poles) attached to the walls at proper height (about three feet above the floor), for use during the earlier part of all class work. At home, the back of a chair will serve the purpose. Do not grasp the bar tightly; use it only to help your balance and to gain confidence.

Movements of the arms and body should be free and graceful, never stiff, mechanical and jerky—except in character dancing.

Keep the knees and toes turned out, and in elevation, the foot stretched, toes out, heels in, greatly adding to the appearance of the legs and feet. A straight supporting knee aids in perfect control of body, arms and head. (In some Russian, Hungarian and other national and character dances the toes are turned in, and often up.)

Before and after every jump or hop—bend the knees. Demi plié for small jumps or hops, grand plié for large movements, straightening knees immediately after.

Breathe in before jumping, and out on finishing the jump.

Be sure that your ballet slippers are "a glove fit"—neither loose nor too tight. Wear no tight clothing or belts, and preferably no garters—garters below the knee, if worn at all.

Do not relax or rest during exercise; wait till the practice is over. Do not drink water during exercise.

There is a technical difference between the terms temps and pas—a temps is on only one syllable or beat of music, although it may contain several movements, without change of weight; pas always implies change of weight and may have one or more syllables.

Accents of steps must coincide with accents of the music.

Dancing teachers should remember that the time signature of music does not convey the style of rhythm: "3/4" may mean waltz, mazurka, polonaise, minuet, redowa, etc.; "6/8" could be tarantella or barcarolle, etc.

In considering the ballet, one feature must be remembered—it is an art, mainly decorative, with designs made of moving units or figures. It is sometimes unjustly criticised as being too conventional and unnatural. But, since its keynote is beauty of line and forms, there is reason enough for the sacrifice of the natural, uglier, every-day actions. Years of careful experiment have produced a groundwork for study based on this idea of pure beauty.

# Arabesque and Attitude















# Positions of the Feet



Entire soles of feet touching the floor; knees straight; toes out to side, 90° from front. (Variations at lesser angles)

1st pos. - Heels together; Knees together.

2000. Doen both feet in line to side one foot length apart, weight even. (Or, with weight on one fet., other ft. is termed in 2nd ).

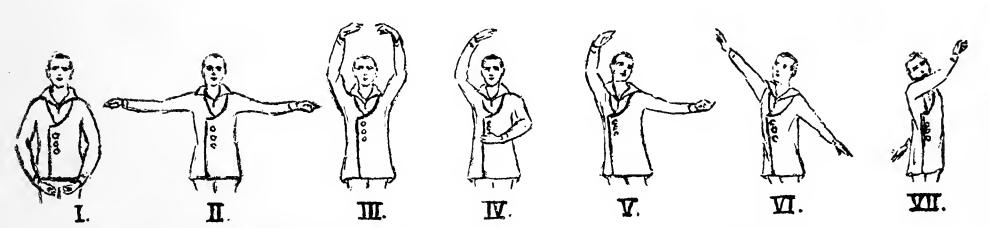
3rd pas. - Heel of front ft. to inner middle (hollow) of back ft. (Front ft. is termed "in 3rd")

4" pos. - Open feet in line to front and back one foot length apart, weight even. (Or, with weight on one ft., the other ft. is termed "in 45; "posterior" or "anterior". All diagonals are variations of 45 pos.).

5" pan -Heel of front ft. to toe of back ft. (Front ft. is termed "in 5"").

These tundamental positions are used as basis for variations called, at the Kosloff school, "en l'air" and "half pos." (ball, toe er heel);

# Positions of the Arms



1 pos. - Arms rounded in same plane in front of body (Any plane from hip line to chest height).

pos. - Arms open to side harizontally.

3rd pos - Arms rounded in same plane above and in front of the heid.

4th post-One arm in 3th post, Other arm in 1st post : "3+1 = 4".

5 pos - One arm in 3th pos. Other arm in 2th pos. : 3+2 = 5.

6th port-Arms open front and back (ordiagonally). Arm in front, up (above shoulder line); arm in back, down (below shoulder line)

Topos-Arms cross body - arm infront up; arm in back, down.

In all positions arms should be relaxed - never stiff. Avoid ingles.

Shoulders: "épaulement" - diagonal posi; shoulder and foot of same side of body informand.

effacé" - diagonal posi; shoulder torresponding to forward foot is back (effaced).



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# Abbreviations

R	8	•		right	pos.	•	•	•	position
L		4	٠	left	ct. (cts)		•	count	(counts
ft.			•	foot	meas.	•	•	•	measure

# Part I Elementary









## DEMIPLIE - GRAND PLIE

# Small bending — Deep bending of the knees

(Practised at the bar)

Preparation—Feet 1st pos. for (a).

Feet 2nd pos. for (b).

Feet 4th pos. for (c).

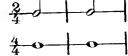
Feet 5th pos. for (d).

The free arm 2nd pos. for (a).

The free arm 3rd pos. for (b), (c) and (d).

Music—4/4 slow and flowing.

Rhythm of exercise—



In demi plié 2 cts. down and 2 cts. up. In grand plié 4 cts. down and 4 cts. up.

Complete movement—Demi plié—1 meas. of 2/4 or 1/2 meas. 4/4.

> Grand plié—1 meas. of 4/4 or 2 meas. of 2/4.

Demi plié

(a) Feet 1st pos. R arm 2nd pos. L hand on bar.

Open and bend both knees to side, lowering hips, with body erect, to height of knees when standing (do not raise heels), at the same time slowly bring the free arm to 1st pos. (2 cts.).

Gradually rise, bringing arm to 2nd pos. and straighten knees

Repeat 8 times—then turn in opposite direction, placing R hand on bar and repeat 8 times.

(b)Feet 2nd pos. arm 3rd pos.—same directions as for (a) except initial pos. of arm.

Feet 4th pos. arm 3rd—directions as above.

(d) Feet 5th pos. arm 3rd—directions as above.

Grand plié

Directions for feet and arm pos. same as (a), (b), (c) and (d), including all repeats. The difference is: In grand plie heels are raised as knees are bent till almost sitting on heels, going down at same time very slowly, lowering the arm (4 cts.), then gradually rising till knees are straight, feet on half toe, then lower the heels (4 cts.).

Beginners should face the bar, placing both hands on it, and

disregard arm directions.



# Demi Plié-Grand Plié

BEETHOVEN



#### RELEVÉ

(Rising, repeated)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.

The free arm 1st pos. (L hand on bar).

Music-3/4 (Waltz rhythm).

Rhythm of exercise— 3 1.

Complete movement—2 meas. (counting "1, 2, 3" up, and "4, 5, 6" down).

With L hand on the bar, rise slowly on the toes, keeping knees straight and heels well forward, moving R arm in flowing graceful line to 2nd pos., describing upper half of a circle, looking at palm of hand till it reaches 2nd pos., where it turns, curving slightly up, with palm down (1st meas., 3 cts.).

Lower heels slowly, at same time free hand describes the lower half of circle from 2nd pos. to 1st pos., palm down, wrist leading the movement (2nd meas, 3 cts.).

Repeat 8 times.

Repeat 8 times, L ft. front, R hand on bar.

Repeat in all pos. of the feet.

Repeat slower, using 2 meas. of music up and 2 meas. down.

Repeat fast, using 2/4 music (see p. 7) up on 1st ct. down on 2nd ct.

Elever is "to raise"; abaisser is "to lower"; relever includes both, because it is "to raise again," "to re-raise." In this exercise the body above waist line should at all times be perfectly relaxed, never tense. Avoid making awkward, angular movements.





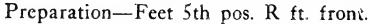




## FLIC-FLAC

(Flicking Step)





The free arm 1st pos. (L hand on bar).

Music—2/4 Allegretto (or any 2 beat of this rhythm).

Rhythm of exercise—  $\frac{2}{4}$  Complete movement—2 meas. (4 cts.).

Swing R leg straight from the hip to R front, slightly en l'air, touching the floor as if flicking something off it; toe well pointed downward and out, heel turned forward, both knees straight (1st ct.).

Swing R leg back flat to 5th pos. front, both knees straight, with the same flicking sweep of the toe on the floor (2nd ct.) and immediately flick it to R front, en l'air, again (3rd ct.) and back flat to 5th pos. in front (4th ct.).

Free arm stays in 1st pos. throughout exercise.

Repeat 8 times R ft. Repeat 8 times L ft.

This may be done in any direction.



Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front Arms 3rd pos.

Music—same as above but a little slower.

Complete movement—4 meas.

Rhythm of exercise—same as above.

Bend R knee and raise it as high as possible, with toe well pointed down; swing foot touching the floor and forward, sharply straightening knee (1st ct.).

With knee straight swing R ft. flat to 5th pos. front, touching the floor with toe in a quick sweeping movement (2nd ct.).

Arms 2nd pos.—repeat the same movements swinging foot with a sweep to side straight out from hip and down again flat to 5th pos. rear with a sweep of the toe (3rd and 4th cts.).

Arms 4th pos.—repeat the same movements to straight back horizontal and back to 5th pos. rear (5th and 6th cts.).

Bring R ft. to 5th pos. front and arms to 3rd pos. (7th ct.). Rest (8th ct.).

Repeat 8 times R ft. Repeat 8 times L ft.













# BATTEMENT PLIÉ (Demi Plié)

(Beating, bending knees)







Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front. Arms 2nd pos.

Music—4/4 (or 2/4 with main and secondary accents).

Rhythm of exercise 4

Complete movement—1 meas. (4 accents).

At the bar

L hand on bar, R arm 2nd pos. throughout.

Slide R ft. directly forward on floor, pointing toe in 4th pos. with heel well turned in, both knees straight (1st ct.).

Return R ft. flatly beating in 5th pos. front, demi plié both knees, turned well out to side (2nd ct.).

Slide R ft. to side, pointing in 2nd pos., straightening both knees (3rd ct.).

Return R ft. flat, beating in 5th pos. rear, demi plié both knees, turned well out to side (4th ct.).

Repeat 8 times R ft.

Repeat 8 times L ft. reversing hand on bar.

Repeat 8 times R ft. to 4th rear (instead of front).

Repeat 8 times L ft. to 4th rear (instead of front).

Without bar

Feet 5th pos.—Arms 2nd pos.

Slide R ft. to 2nd pos. and demi plié both knees (1st ct.).

Slide R ft. flat, beating 5th pos. front, knees straight (2nd ct.).

Slide R ft. to 2nd pos. and demi plié both knees (3rd ct.).

Slide R ft. flat, beating 5th pos. rear, knees straight (4th ct.).

Repeat 16 times R ft. to 2nd and 5th pos. Repeat 16 times L ft. to 2nd and 5th pos.

Repeat 16 times R ft. to 4th front and 5th pos. (also 4th back).

Repeat 16 times L ft. to 4th front and 5th pos. (also 4th back).

This may be done sending the active foot en l'air to front, or side, or back, returning flat to 5th pos. in demi plié.







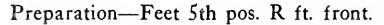
# IV Battement Plié



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#### PETIT BATTEMENT TENDU

(Tense small beatings)



Arms 2nd pos. (at bar start L hand on bar).

Music—2/4—(Galop rhythm).

Rhythm of exercise 2

Complete movement—1 ct. repeated 7 times, resting on 8th).

en avant

(arms 2nd pos. throughout).

Slide R ft. front on floor, heel in and toe well out, point in 4th pos. front (1st ct.) and beat to 5th pos. front (ct. "and").

Repeat 7 times, resting on 8th ct.

à côté

Slide R ft. to side, heel in and toe well out, point in 2nd pos. (1st ct.) and beat to 5th pos. front (ct. "and"). Alternate return of foot to 5th pos. front and rear.

Repeat 7 times, resting on 8th ct.

en arrière

Slide R ft. to back, heel in and toe well out, point in 4th pos. rear (1st ct.) and beat to 5th pos. rear (ct. "and").

Repeat 7 times, resting on 8th ct.

Repeat all with L ft.











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## VI PETIT BATTEMENT

(Sur le cou-de-pied)
(Small beating on the ankle)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.

The free arm 2nd pos. (L hand on bar).

Music—2/4 or 4/4 (Galop rhythm).

Rhythm of exercise— 2

Complete movement—on each 1/16 note.

Raise R ft., toe pointed down touching L instep; keep L knee straight and R knee relaxed for very quick free movement of lower R leg.

Beat R ft. on front of L ankle as fast as possible, beginning with 4 beats to 2 meas., increasing to 8 beats to 2 meas.

Continue for 8 or 16 meas. of music.

Turn, placing R hand on bar.

Raise L ft., toe pointing down touching R instep; keep R knee straight and L knee relaxed. Beat with L ft. in same manner.





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#### VII

# BATTEMENT SERRE

(Sur le cou-de-pied)

(Constricted beatings around the ankle)





Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.

The free arm 2nd pos. (L hand on the bar).

Music-4/4 very fast (or 2/4 Galop rhythm).

Rhythm of exercise— 4

Complete movement—1 ct. (battement back and front of ankle).

On preparation—rise, half toe, bringing R ft. to side of L ankle, both knees turned out as much as possible—then stand flat on L ft., L knee straight.

With R ft. (toe well pointed down) beat L ankle in back (ct. "one").

Do not send foot out; swing it around L ankle and beat in front (ct. "and").

Repeat 16 or 32 times.

Repeat 16 or 32 times with L ft. beating (R hand on bar).

This should also be practised with the supporting foot rising half toe each time that the active foot beats in back, and down on heel when active foot beats in front.





# VII Battement Serré



#### VIII

#### BATTEMENT FRAPPÉ

(Sur le cou-de-pied)

(Sharp beating on the ankle)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.

The free arm 2nd pos.—L hand on bar.

Music 4/4 (or 2/4 Galop rhythm).



Complete movement—1 meas. (beating on 1st and 3rd cts.) slow practice.

or ½ meas. (beating on each ct.) fast practice.

Slow practice
Take weight on L ft., L knee straight, raise R knee up till toe points just above L instep, with R knee well turned out to side; swing R ft. to R side, straightening R knee (ct. "and" on part meas.).

Making R knee the stationary pivoting point, swing R ft. back, beating L ankle sharply (frappé) in front (ct. "one"), and

Swing R ft. out to side, straightening knee (ct. "two") and Beat L ankle  $(frapp\acute{e})$  in back (ct. "three") and

Swing R ft. out to side, straightening knee (ct. "four").
Repeat 8 times.

Repeat 8 times with weight on R ft. (R hand on bar), swinging and beating with L ft.

This should also be practised with the supporting foot rising half toe each time the active foot is extended.

Fast practice

Same tempo of music—doubling the step to fit it (counting "and one and two and three and four"), swinging foot out to side on the "and" cts. and beating ankle on each accent ct., 4 to a meas.).









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#### GRAND BATTEMENT

(Large beating)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.

Arms 2nd pos. (at bar—L hand on bar).

Music—2/4 March (not necessarily 2/4).

Rhythm of exercise 2

Complete movement—2 cts. (leg beats down on main accent of music).

At the bar

L hand on bar, R arm in 2nd pos.

Raise R leg front horizontal from hip (ready to descend on

1st ct. of music mea.).

Bring R leg down with strong battement to 5th pos. front (ct. "one").

Raise R leg again horizontal in front (ct. "and")

Repeat 16 times.

On the 16th time, change the "up" stroke.

Raise R leg to side horizontal from hip (ct. "and").

Bring it down with strong battement to 5th pos. front (ct. "one").

Raise R leg again to side horizontal (ct. "and")

Bring it down to 5th pos. rear (ct. "two").

Repeat 8 times.

On the last time change "up" stroke.

With R arm in 1st pos., raise R leg to back high (ct. "and").

Bring it down to 5th pos. rear (ct. "one").

Repeat 16 times.

With R hand on bar, raise L leg and repeat all movements. These should also be practised with supporting leg rising half

toe.

Without the bar

Repeat all movements as at bar.

Arms are 2nd pos. for battement from front.

Arms are 3rd pos. for battement from side.

Arms are 1st pos. for battement from back.

In grand battement from back, bend body horizontally on supporting leg, keeping head up and sending active leg up in back higher than head.











IX Grand Battement



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X

### ROND de JAMBE, à terre

# (Leg circle—actually, large semi-circle described with toe—on floor)

Preparation—Feet 1st pos.

The free arm 1st pos. (L hand on bar).

Music—4/4 Allegretto (flowing rhythm).

Rhythm of exercise-4 slow practice.

4 d d fast practice.

Complete movement—Once to a meas. for slow.

Twice to a meas. for fast.

Slow practice.

Slide R ft. directly forward to 4th pos., pointing toe well out and down, turning heel in, raising R arm to 3rd pos., both

knees straight (1st ct.)

Describe large semi-circle, never lifting pointed R toe from floor, moving out and around through 2nd pos. (2nd ct.), in circular movement to 4th pos. rear (3rd ct.), and bringing foot forward to 1st pos., lowering heel to floor when in 1st pos. (4th ct.).

When movement is done in this direction (to front, to side and back), it is called rond de jambe en dehors (outward circle); when done to back, to side and front, it is called rond de jambe en dedans (inward circle).

Repeat 16 times R ft. (L hand on bar) en dehors. Repeat 16 times R ft. (L hand on bar) en dedans. Repeat 16 times L ft. (R hand on bar) en dehors. Repeat 16 times L ft. (R hand on bar) en dedans.

Fast practice

Slide pointed R toe out to 4th pos. front and around to 2nd pos., R arm to 3rd pos. (ct. "one and")—to 4th pos. rear (ct.

"two") and to 1st pos., heel down (ct. "and"). Repeat as above.

Remark: The movement comes from the hip; the toe never lifted from the floor; heel always down when back to 1st pos. Keep both knees straight and free arm in 3rd pos. all during either form of this exercise.





## Rond de Jambe á terre



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# TROIS PETITS RONDS de JAMBE (Three small circles of the leg)

Preparation—Feet 1st pos.

Arms 2nd pos.

Music—2/4 Allegretto (Polka rhythm).

Rhythm of exercise  $\frac{2}{4}$ 

Complete movement—1 meas. (3 circles and pause).

At the bar-

à terre

L hand on bar, R arm in 2nd pos.

Imagine two lines drawn upon the floor, one parallel to the bar, the other disecting it at right angles at the point where you stand.

A petit rond je jambe is a circle whose diameter is the length

of the foot—all others are called large circles.

A petit rond de jambe made, from the line parallel with the bar, with the point of R ft. starting 4th pos., would not cross back of the line running through 2nd pos. A petit rond de jambe from 4th pos. rear, would not cross in front of the 2nd pos. line. A petit rond de jambe beginning with foot pointed in 2nd pos. would be exactly disected by the 2nd pos. line.

Make 3 small outward circles (technically called "en dehors"), with R ft., beginning forward 4th pos. through 2nd pos. and 1st pos. very fast, and pause on 4th ct. of each meas.

Repeat 8 times through 4th pos. front (en dehors, then en dedans).

Repeat 8 times through 4th pos. rear (en dehors, then en dedans).

Repeat 8 times through 2nd pos. (en dehors, then en dedans). Repeat all with L ft. (R hand on the bar).

en l'air

L hand on bar. Raise R knee high and use as a stationary pivot, making 3 small circles and lowering ft., straightening knee on 4th ct. of meas. Directions and repeats same as for à terre.

Without bar

This same exercise should be practised, for balance, without bar.







### XI

## Trois Petit Rond de Jambe



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# GRAND ROND de JAMBE (Large circle of leg)

Preparation—Feet 1st pos.
Arms 1st pos.

Music—4/4 Allegretto (flowing).

Rhythm of exercise—  $\frac{4}{2}$ 

Complete movement—1 meas. (4 cts.).

à terre

L hand on bar—R arm 1st pos.

Demi plié L knee well out to side, R ft. pointed in extended 4th pos., toe well out and down, heel in, knee straight (1st ct.), Slide R toe around to 2nd pos., R arm to 2nd pos. (2nd ct.), Slide R toe around to 4th pos. rear, R arm 2nd pos. (3rd ct.), Bring R ft. to 1st pos. lowering beel, at same time straightening

Bring R ft. to 1st pos., lowering heel, at same time straightening L knee; both knees straight, R arm to 1st pos. (4th ct.).

Repeat 8 times R ft. en dehors. Repeat 8 times R ft. en dedans.

Repeat all with L ft. (R hand on bar).

en l'air

Same directions and repeats as for à terre except that supporting ft. does not plié and active ft. makes large circle in the air, raised very high, both knees straight all the time; feet in 1st pos. every 4th ct.

à terre—on the floor.

en l'air-in the air.

en dehors-outward.

en dedans-inward.







## Grand Rond de Jambe



# BALANCÉ (Balancing Step)







Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.

Arms 1st pos. before (a).

2nd pos. before (b).

Music—3/4 (Waltz) or 6/8 or 6/4 (Barcarolle).

Rhythm of exercise—  $26\frac{6}{4}$ 

Complete movement—If 3/4—2 meas. If 6/8 or 6/4—1 meas.

(a) Sway body forward lifting arms and stepping forward on R ft. (1st ct.), slide L ft. to R ft. 1st pos. (2nd ct.), relevé with arms 3rd pos. (3rd ct.).

Sway body backward, lowering arms, and step back on L ft. 4th ct.), slide R ft. to L ft. 1st pos. (5th ct.), and relevé with

arms down again in 1st pos. (6th ct.).

Repeat 8 times, beginning R ft.

Repeat 8 times, beginning L ft.

(b) Sway body to R side, moving arms from 2nd pos. to 3rd pos., catch the balance with a step R ft. to R (1st ct.), sliding L ft. to R ft. 1st pos. (2nd ct.), relevé (3rd ct.).

Sway body to L side, moving arms with it 3rd pos., catch the balance with a step L ft. to L side 1st pos. (4th ct.), sliding R ft. to L ft. 1st pos. (5th ct.) and relevé (6th ct.).

Repeat 8 times, beginning R ft. Repeat 8 times, beginning L ft.

After each group of 8 complete steps, finish in original position—feet 5th pos., arms slowly to 2nd pos. and down.

Balancé may be done in any direction.







## XIII Balancé

CHOPIN





#### DÉVELOPPÉ

(Unfolding or Developing Step)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.

Arms 3rd pos. for en avant.

2nd pos. for à côté.

4th pos. for en arrière.

Music-4/4 (March tempo).

Rhythm of exercise—  $\frac{4}{4}$   $\circ$  -  $\circ$ 

Complete movement—2 meas.

en avant

With weight on very straight supporting L leg, raise R knee, with toe well down pointing just above L instep sur le cou-de-pied, gradually drawing R knee up till R toe touches L knee, arms 3rd pos. (1st meas.).

Forcefully stretch R leg out straight horizontal from hip and gradually down to 5th pos. in front again (2nd meas.).

Repeat 8 times R ft. Repeat 8 times L ft.

Repeat 8 times alternating feet (dégagé).

à côté

With weight on straight L leg, lift R ft. sur le cou-de-pied, R knee turned out to R side as much as possible, drawing ft. up to L knee, arms to 2nd pos. (1st meas.).

Forcefully stretch R leg to side horizontal from hip and down again (2nd meas.).

Repeat 8 times L ft. Repeat 8 times R ft.

en arrière

With weight on straight L leg, R ft. sur le cou-de-pied and up to knee, arms to 4th pos. (1st meas.).

Forcefully stretch R leg to back high as possible and down again (2nd meas.).

Repeat as above.









Dégagé



#### PORT de BRAS

(Deportment of the arms)

Preparation—Feet 1st pos. for (a)

Feet 2nd pos. for (b)

Feet 4th pos. for (c)

Feet 5th pos. for (d)

Arms 1st pos. for all.

Music 4/4 or 2/4, 3/4 or 6/8 (slow, flowing rhythm).

Rhythm of exercise for all

these signatures — —

Complete movement—2 meas.

The many variations of this exercise develop grace of arms and and body, softening the movements above the waist line. Practise first at bar—later away from bar—as directed here.

(a) Feet 1st pos., arms 1st pos.—Bending body from waist slowly in circle and from L to R, try to touch floor with fingers, knees straight; then up and arms to 2nd pos. and down in circle.

Repeat 8 times to R.

Repeat 8 times to L.

Repeat all relevé.

(b) Feet 2nd pos., arms from 1st to 3rd pos., in circle and to 2nd pos., then down. Repeat circular body movement as above.

Repeat 8 times R. Repeat 8 times L.

Repeat all relevé.

(c) Feet 4th pos. R ft. front, arms from 1st to 4th pos., and to 2nd; then down, same circular movement of body.

Repeat 8 times.

Repeat 8 times relevé.

Feet 4th pos. L ft. front. Repeat as above.

(d) Feet 5th pos. R ft. front, arms from 1st pos. to 7th pos.; then to 2nd, then down. Repeat as above. Repeat with L ft. front as above.









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### SAUTE (Hop)

Preparation—Feet 1st pos.
Arms—both hands on bar.

Music—2/4 (Polka rhythm).

Rhythm of exercise— 2

Complete movement—1 meas.

#### Face Bar

Demi plié (ct. "and" on part meas.).

Three small jumps on both feet—small plié before and after every jump (ct. "one, two, three").

Pause holding for nearly the full ct. (ct. "four").
Repeat 8 times.





## XVI Sauté



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#### XVII

### DEMI ASSEMBLE, SAUTE (Small Rejoining Step, Hop)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. L ft. front.
Arms 1st pos.
Music—6/8 (Tarantella rhythm).

Rhythm of exercise— 68

plié, 1st ct.; assemblé 4th ct.

Complete movement—2 meas. (2 assemblés, 1 with R ft., 1 with L ft.).

Demi plié L knee, sliding and pointing R ft. to side, 2nd pos. (1st and 2d cts.).

Small jump (sauté), on L ft. (3rd ct.).

Landing slightly plie in 5th pos., with feet reversed, R ft. front, arms to 2nd pos. on the jump, and down to 1st pos. on landing (4th ct.),

Straighten both knees for a moment (6th ct.),

Demi plié R knee, slide and point L ft. to 2nd pos. (1st and 2nd cts.).

Sauté on R ft. (3rd ct.).

Landing slightly plié in 5th pos. with feet reversed L ft. front, arms to 2nd on jump, and to 1st on landing (4th ct.), Straighten both knees for a moment (6th ct.).

Repeat 8 times—moving forward.

Repeat 8 times—moving backward (start with foot in front "winging out" and jump with that foot landing in back).







## XVII Demi Assemblé



#### XVIII

# GRAND ASSEMBLE, SAUTÉ (Large, Rejoining Step, Hop)





Preparation—Feet 5th pos., L ft. front. Arms 2nd pos.

Music-3/8 (or 3/4 Mazurka rhythm).

Rhythm of exercise-

Complete movement—2 meas.—(2 assemblés, 1 for R; 1 for L).

- Large plié, both knees, raising heels, arms 2nd pos. (1st ct.).
- Sauté from L ft., swinging out R ft. high en l'air to side, arms 5th pos. (2nd ct.).
- Landing, plié, weight even on balls of both feet, 5th pos., R ft. front, arms to 3rd pos. (3rd ct.).

Repeat, swinging and reversing L ft. to front on next jump (1, 2, and 3 of 2nd meas.).

Repeat 8 times, moving forward.

Repeat 8 times, moving backward (starting with foot in front "winging out" and landing in back after each jump).







### XVIII

## Grand Assemblé, Sauté

CHAMINADE



# CHANGEMENT de PIEDS (Reversal of both feet)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.
Arms—hands closed back of body.

Music—4/4 slow March tempo, distinct accents (other kinds of time signature may be adapted to this).

Rhythm of exercise—

1 to a meas. 4 plié, élevé, jump, pause.
2 to a meas. 4 jump, land, jump, land.
4 to a meas. 5 jump, jump, jump, jump, jump.

Complete movement for 1 changement to a meas.

Demi plié, feet 5th pos. R ft. front (1st ct.).

Elevé (2nd ct.).

Jump, changing ("winging out") both feet, landing slightly plie, weight evenly on balls of feet, R ft. in back, L ft. in front 5th pos. (3rd ct.).

Straighten knees, lowering heels (4th ct.).

Repeat 8 times.
Repeat 8 times doing 2 jumps to a meas.
Repeat 8 times doing 4 jumps to a meas.
In changement both feet act in changing.
In assemblé only one foot acts in changing.









XIX Changements de Pieds



### COUPE (Cut)





Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.
Arms 1st pos.

Music—2/4, 4/4 or 6/8 with two decided accents.

Rhythm of exercise— 4

Complete movement—2 accents.

Jump R ft. forward freeing L ft., arms to 3rd pos. (1st accent).

Bring L ft. to R ft. sur le cou-de-pied and down, taking weight on L ft., cutting R ft. forward, arms to 1st pos. (2nd accent).

Repeat 8 times, R ft. leading—en face.

Repeat 8 times, L ft. leading—en face.

Repeat 8 times, alternating R and L, en face.

Repeat 8 times, R ft. leading—en arrière. Repeat 8 times, L ft. leading—en arrière.

Repeat 8 times, alternating R and L en arrière.

Repeat 8 times, R ft. leading—à côté. Repeat 8 times, L ft. leading—à côté.

Repeat 8 times, alternating R and L à côté.





## XX Coupé



# JETE (Leap)





Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front. Arms 2nd pos.

Music—6/8 Allegro (sharp accents on 1st and 4th cts.—though jeté may be done to any time).

Rhythm of exercise 68

Complete movement—1 meas. (2 accents—2 jetés).

à côté

Demi plié R knee, sliding L ft. to side en l'air with firm pointing of toe (ct. "and").

Leap on to L ft., throwing weight from R ft. to L ft., bring R ft. to back of R ft. sur le cou-de-pied and body bending 16 times—that is, 4 assemblés.

Demi plié L knee, sliding R ft. to side en l'air (3rd ct.—ct. "and").

Leap on to R ft., throwing weight from L ft. to R ft., bring L ft. to back of R f. sur le cou-de-pied and body bending slightly to R (4th ct.—2nd accent—ct. "two").

Repeat alternating to L and R for 7 times and, on 8th accent, assemblé, with arms in 2nd pos. then down. Repeat 16 times—that is 4 assemblés.

en avant

Repeat 16 times moving forward on alternate leaps to 4th pos. (still doing the preparatory slide to side en l'air).

en arrière

Repeat 16 times moving backward on alternate leaps, bringing foot to front instead of back, sur le cou-de-pied.

There are countless varieties of jeté, differing in height, direction

There are countless varieties of jete, differing in height, direction and character. The ones given here are the simple ones.







## XXI Jeté



#### XXII

#### JETE EN TOURNANT

(Leap, turning)





Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front. Arms 1st pos.

Music—6/8 two accents (1st and 4th cts.).

Rhythm of exercise— 6

Complete movement—1 meas.

Stepping

Step R ft. to 2nd pos., arms 1st pos. (1 ct.).

Plié and jump throwing L ft. over R ft., arms to 3rd pos., turning body in circle en l'air (4th and 5th cts.).

Landing on L ft. with R ft. sur le cou-de-pied front, and arms 2nd pos. (6th ct.).

Repeat 8 times.

Repeat 8 times, stepping L ft.

Jeté en tournant may be done moving toward front, back, diagonal or side; also en arabesque, 6th pos., finishing en arabesque, 6th pos.

En place

Plié and jump, turning en l'air en place, arms to 3rd

pos. (1st ct.).

Land on L ft. with R ft. sur le cou-de-pied front, arms 3rd pos. (4th ct.).

Repeat 8 times.

Repeat 8 times, landing on R. ft.





# XXII



#### XXIII

#### ÉCHAPPÉ

(Straddle Step)





Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.

Arms 4th pos. R front.

Music—3/4 (Mazurka tempo).

Rhythm of exercise  $\frac{3}{4}$ 

Complete movement—2 meas.

Open knees and jump from 5th pos. to 4th pos., R ft. forward (1st ct.),

Jump back to 5th pos. with L ft. front (2nd ct.).

Hold (3rd ct.).

Open knees and jump from 5th pos. to 2nd pos., R ft. to side (1st ct., 2nd meas.).

Jump back to 5th pos. with R ft. front (2nd ct., 2nd meas.).

Hold (3rd ct., 2nd meas.).

Arms all the time 4th pos.

Repeat 8 times.

Repeat 8 times, reversing, L ft. leading.

Echappé literally means "escaped."

This step may be done from any closed position (1st, 3rd or 5th) to any open position (2nd or 4th), weight evenly divided on both feet.





## XXIIIÉchappé



#### XXIV

### ÉCHAPPÉ, JETÉ (Straddle Step with Jump)





Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front. Arms 2nd pos.

Music-2/4 (Polka time).

Rhythm of exercise  $\frac{2}{4}$ 

Complete movement—1 meas. (2 accents).

Open knees and jump both feet to 2nd pos. (straddle), arms 2nd pos. (1st accent).

Jump on L ft., bringing R ft. to back of L ankle and arms to 1st pos. (2nd accent).

Repeat alternating R and L 7 times, and on the 8th accent assemblé with L ft. front.

Repeat "straddling" with L ft. to front 4th pos. and R ft. back—alternating L and R 7 times, and on the 8th accent assemblé with R ft. front.





XXIV Échappé, Jeté



#### XXV

# CISEAUX (ou Sissonne) OUVERT (Scissors Step, Open)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.

Arms 1st pos. épaulement, R shoulder front.

Music—6/8 Allegro (sharp accents on 1st and 4th cts.).

Rhythm of exercise  $\frac{6}{8}$ 

Complete movement—1 meas. (2 accents).

Demi plié and jump on R ft. diagonally forward, with L leg extended back, arms to 2nd pos. (1st accent).

Land, in small plié, with feet 5th pos. R ft. front, arms to 1st pos. (2nd accent).

Repeat 8 times, R leg en avant.

Repeat 8 times, L leg en avant.

Repeat 8 times, en croisé with each ft. Repeat 8 times, à côté with each ft.

Repeat 8 times, en arrière with each ft., which

reverses direction of jump.

Ciseaux, while en l'air, should be done with legs as straight as the blades of "scissors" for which it is named.









### XXV

## Ciseaux (ou Sissonne)Ouvert, Assemblé



### CISEAUX (ou Sissonne) FERMÉ

(Scissors Step, Closed)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.

Arms 1st pos. épaulement, R shoulder front.

Music—2/4 or 6/8 Allegretto (counting 4 to a meas. of 2/4).

Rhythm of exercise 2

Complete movement—½ meas. of 2/4.

Plié and jump diagonally front R side opening both legs en l'air, closing quickly while in air, arms from 1st to 4th pos. (1st ct.—1st accent).

Land, plié, with feet in 5th pos. R ft. front, arms to 1st pos. (2nd ct.—2nd accent).

Repeat 16 times, R ft. leading.

Repeat 16 times, L ft. leading.

Repeat 16 times, alternating R and L. Repeat 16 times, R ft. backward.

Repeat 16 times, L ft. backward.

Repeat 16 times, alternating, R and L.

Repeat 16 times, alternating forward and backward.

The double scissors step (Pas de Ciseaux Double) is ciseaux fermé and ciseaux ouvert combined.

The ciseaux may be executed en tournant.









## XXVI Ciseaux (ou Sissonne,) fermé



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## ÉCARTÉ

(Spreading)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.
Arms 3rd pos.
Music—4/4—slow March time.

Rhythm of exercise— 4

Complete movement—2 écartés—1 meas.

Plié both knees, arms to 1st pos., and high jump, en place, both feet spread en l'air as far, and held open as long as possible, arms to 3rd pos. (ct. "and," the up-beat of music before the first accent).

Land, plié, with feet 5th pos. R front, arms 1st pos. 1st ct.), straighten knees (2nd ct.), plié and repeat the jump on up-beat of music before the 3rd ct., arms 3rd pos. (ct. "and"), land plié, with feet 5th pos. R front, arms 1st pos. (3rd ct.), straighten knees (4th ct.).

Repeat 8 times, spreading R ft. forward. Repeat 8 times, spreading L ft. forward.

Repeat 8 times, spreading R diagonally front. Repeat 8 times, spreading L diagonally front.

Repeat 8 times, spreading both à côté.

Repeat 8 times, alternately R and L forward.
Repeat 8 times, alternately R and L diagonally

front.

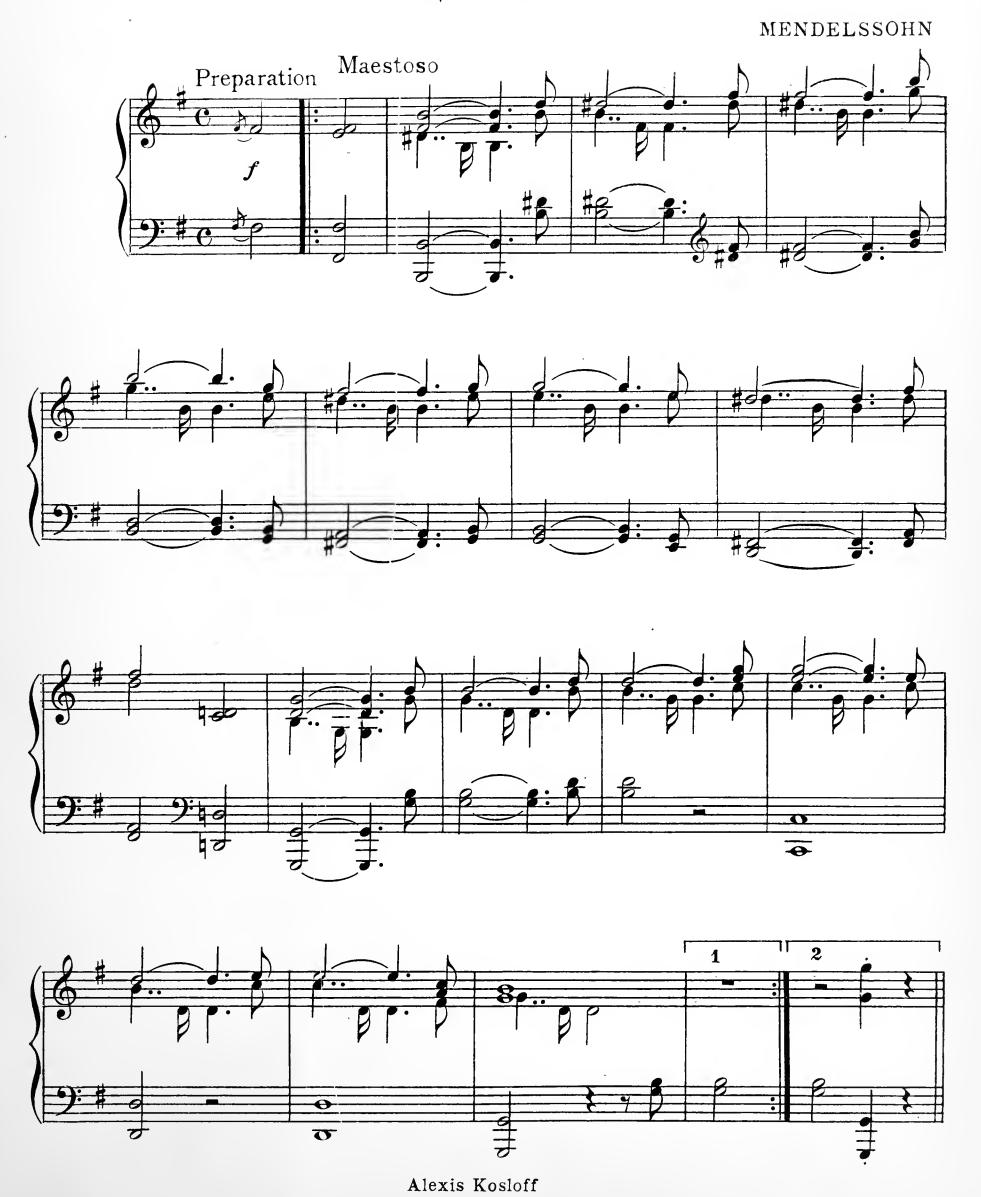








## XXVII Écarté



#### XXVIII

# C H A S S É (Chasing or Hunting Step)





Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front. Arms 1st pos.

Music-6/8 Moderato.

Rhythm of exercise—  $\frac{6}{8}$ 

Complete movement—1 meas.

Slide R ft. forward en croisé, taking weight on R ft. (1st ct.), bringing L ft. up to R ft. in back, arms to 3rd pos., and quick relevé (on 3rd ct.).

Slide L ft. back, taking weight on it (4th ct.), following up with R ft., arms down to 1st pos., and relevé (6th ct.).

Repeat 8 times.

Repeat 8 times, starting L ft. forward, en croisé.

Repeat 8 times, starting R ft., à côté.

Repeat 8 times, starting L ft., à côté.

Repeat 8 times, starting R ft., en face.

Repeat 8 times, starting L ft., en face.

The difference between Chassé and Balancé is that in Chassé—the leading ft. slides to place, the other foot chasing but not taking its place—the feet are literally hunting each other; the relevé is almost a spring. In Balancé—the leading foot steps to place, the body bending to direction first, the step literally catching the balance; the relevé is gently rising to half-toe and down.







## XXVIII Chassé

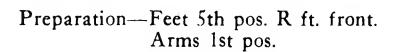


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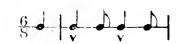
## GLISSADE (Gliding Step)

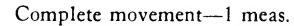




Music—6/8 (barcarolle style).

Rhythm of exercise 6





Just before the 1st accent of the 1st meas. of the music, rise on half toes, bringing arms to 2nd pos. (ct. "and").

Glide R ft. to R side and small plié (1st and 2nd cts.),

Following with L ft. which closes into front 5th pos. élevé, with arms still in 2nd pos. (3rd ct.).

Glide R ft. again to R side and small plié, L ft. to back 5th pos. (4th and 5th cts.).

(The 6th ct. is the same as the part meas, in the beginning.)

Repeat 8 times R ft. leading.

Repeat 8 times L ft. leading.

Repeat 8 times alternating.

This step is done in a beautiful legato manner—therefore teaches control while developing the suppleness of the feet and strengthening arches, toes and ankles.









## XXIX Glissade



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# BALLONNÉ (Balloon Step)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.

Arms 5th pos. R arm up.

Music—3/4 Mazurka time (slow for practising).

Rhythm of exercise  $\frac{3}{4}$ 

Complete movement—1 meas.

(Ballonné may be adapted to any other kind of time.)

Step begins on the incomplete first meas. of music, with a hop on the L ft., during which the R ft. is carried to R side in a circular movement, as if swinging it over a large ball, quickly returning it to the front of L leg, "passé la jambe" (ct. "and"), and immediately out to the R side again ("fouetté"), this time transferring the weight to it (1st ct.); slide L ft. to R ft. in back 5th pos., finishing with both knees straight (2nd ct.) ready to demi-plié and begin another ballonné on 3rd ct. of music.

Repeat 8 times to R, R ft. leading—on the 8th ballonné to R finish with L ft. front 5th pos. and reverse arms, L up.

Repeat 8 times to L, L ft. leading—on the 8th ballonné to L finish with R ft. front 5th pos. and reverse arms, R up.

Repeat 8 times alternating—side to side.

Repeat 8 times forward. Repeat 8 times backward.

Although practised alternately, it is usually done in simple form—that is, without change of direction.







XXX Ballonne



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# TALONNÉ (Heel Step)

Preparation—Feet 1st pos. for all.
Arms 1st pos. " "

Music-2/4 or 4/4 Moderato.

Rhythm of exercise 4

Complete movement 2 beats or strong accents.

(a) Grand plié in 1st pos. (1st ct.)

Spring with both feet to 2nd pos. on heels, toes up. Arms to
4th pos. (2nd ct.)

Repeat 8 times.

(b) Grand plié in 1st pos. (1st ct.)

Jump landing with L leg in grand plié and R leg extended to 2nd pos. on heel, toe up. Arms to 4th pos. (2nd ct.) Change, bringing R leg into 1st pos. grand plié, L leg to 2nd pos. on heel, toe up. Arms from 1st pos. to 4th pos.

Finishing with feet 1st pos. Arms 1st pos.

Repeat 8 times.
Repeat 8 times, reversing L leg extended.

(c) Grand plié in 1st pos. (1st ct.)

Jump landing with L leg in grand plié and R leg extended forward to 4th pos. on heel, toe up. Arms to 3rd pos. (2nd ct.)

Change bringing R leg into 1st pos. grand plié, L leg forward to 4th pos. on heel, toe up. Arms from 1st pos. to 3rd pos.

Finishing with feet 1st pos. Arms 1st pos. Repeat 8 times, reversing L leg extended. These steps are used in character dancing.

Some authorities also use "talonné" to mean "knocking the heels together"—weight on balls of both feet, make twist of the feet knocking the heels together.









## Talonné

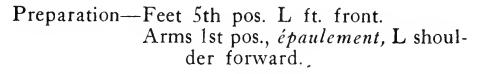


#### XXXII

## PAS DE CHAT

(Cat Step)





Music-3/4 (Mazurka rhythm).

Rhythm of exercise— 3

Complete movement—1 meas. (counting "3, 1, 2").

Spring on R ft. to R diagonal front, bending both knees, grand plié while in air, arms in 3rd pos. (ct. "3" on the part meas.).

Landing demi plié in 5th pos. L ft. front; the L ft. into place a shade after R ft. softly as a cat would leap; arms 1st pos. (ct. "1").

Hold (ct. "2").

Repeat 8 times forward, alternating R and L. Repeat 8 times backward, alternating and reversing.







## XXXII Pas de Chat



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#### XXXIII

# PAS de CHEVAL (Horse Step)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos., R ft. front.
Arms 3rd pos.
Music—2/4 March time.

Rhythm of exercise  $\frac{2}{4}$   $\frac{1}{4}$ 

Complete movement—1 meas.

Throw R ft. forward and jump on it, bringing L leg to front of R leg, passé la jambe (1st ct.).

Throw L ft. forward and jump on it, bringing R leg to front of L leg, passé la jambe (2nd ct.).

Repeat 8 times forward, en face, as above.

Repeat 8 times en croisé. Repeat 8 times en effacé.

Pas de Cheval is a strong, dominating, triumphant step—effectively used to advance a corps de ballet toward the spectator. Its name implies the proud prancing of a fine horse.







## XXXIII Pas de Cheval



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#### XXXIV

## PAS de BASQUE

(Basque Step)

(Of the Basque provinces)





Preparation—Feet 5th pos., R ft. front.
Arms 1st pos.

Music—3/4 Waltz. (Pas de Basque may be done to 2/4 of 6/8 time; 3/4 is best.)

Rhythm of exercise  $\frac{3}{4}$ 

Complete movement—One pas de Basque—1 meas.

à terre

R ft. makes a rond de jambe to 5th pos., en dehors; with very small plié, leap, taking weight on R ft., arms 2nd pos. (1st ct.).

Slide L ft. forward to 4th pos., en croisé with knee straight, transfer weight to it, bringing arms to 3rd pos. (2nd ct.).

Glide R ft. to L ft. in 5th pos. en dehors, transferring weight to R ft., arms 3rd pos. (3rd ct.).

Reverse, beginning with L ft.

Repeat 8 times, moving forward.

Repeat 8 times, moving backward (leaping to side, not back, otherwise reverse the description).

Repeat 8 times, en place.

en l'air

Jeté on L ft., crossing R leg over L leg, sufficiently to produce a half turn, arms 4th pos., L up, feet finish 5th pos., L front (1st ct.).

Assemblé, arms 3rd pos. (2nd ct.), assemblé, arms 3rd pos. (3rd ct.)

Repeat 8 times.







# XXXIV

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# PAS de BOURÉE (simple et changé) (Faggot Step)

Preparation—Feet: R ft. forward, L ft. back half 4th pos. Arms 1st pos.

Music—4/4 (or 2/4 or 6/8—4/4 is best).

Rhythm of exercise— 4

Complete movement—4 cts.—beginning on the part meas., ct. "four and one," "two and three."

Simple

With weight on R ft. forward, slightly raise R heel and bring L ft. to R rear 5th pos., taking weight on L ft. (ct. "four"), Step R a very little on R ft. (c. "and").

Step L ft. flat in 5th pos. rear with small plié L knee, swinging R ft. out to diagonal R front, slightly en l'air (ct. "one"),

Bring R ft. around back of L ft. in rear 5th pos., taking weight on R ft. (ct. "two"),

Step L a very little on L ft. (ct. "and"),

Step R ft. flat in 5th pos. rear with small plié R knee, swinging L ft. out to diagonal L front slightly raised (ct. "three").

Repeat 16 times moving slightly backward.

Repeat 16 times moving forward by bringing ft. each time to 5th pos. front instead of rear.

Changé

Execution same as for *simple*, except that every step reverses the 5th pos. of feet. If L ft. is in 5th pos. rear on 1st step, it will cross R stepping flat and *plié* in 5th pos. front on the 3rd step.

Bourré means "rammed," "stuffed."

Bourrée (n) means "faggot." (Name of an old dance from which this step was taken).









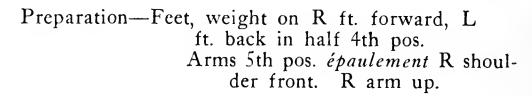
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#### XXXVI

## PAS de ZÉPHIRE (Zephyr Step)

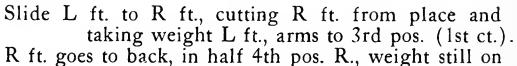




Music—6/8 dreamy, barcarolle style (accents on 1st and 4th cts.).

Rhythm of exercise— 6 1 1

Complete movement—1 meas.



L ft., arms 5th pos. (2nd ct.

Plié L leg, arms 5th pos. (3rd ct.).

Sauté on L ft. bringing R ft. from back, half 4th pos.

(stretching movement in half circle, touching the floor lightly in transit through 1st pos.) to front half 4th pos., arms in 4th pos. (4th and 5th cts.).

Transfer weight forward to R ft., coming to original position, arms 5th pos. (6th ct.).

Repeat 8 times R forward. Repeat 8 times L forward.

Repeat 8 times alternating (instead of merely transferring weight to R ft. on 6th ct., jump on it, bringing L ft. from back half 4th pos. to front half 4th pos., through 1st pos., finishing with weight on L ft. forward—reverse after each step).

Pas de Zéphire derives its name from Greek mythology. The west wind was called Zephyr. It implies gentle, attractive quality.











## XXXVI Pas de Zéphire



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#### XXXVII

## PAS de CUISSE (Thigh Step)

Preparation—Feet 1st pos. Arms 2nd pos.

Music-3/4 Waltz (strong accents on 1st and 3rd cts. of meas.).

Rhythm of exercise  $\frac{3}{4}$ 

Complete movement—2 meas.

Grand plié in 1st pos. on incomplete 1st meas. of music. On next, swing R ft. to half 2nd pos., still staying in grand plié on L supporting leg (1st ct.).

Change, bringing both ft. into 1st pos. grand plié on accent (3rd ct.). Grand plié R ft. 1st pos. as L ft. swings out to half 2nd pos. (1st ct. of next meas.).

Change, bringing both ft. into 1st pos. grand plié on accent (3rd ct.). Repeat 8 times, constantly grand plié on the supporting leg. Repeat 8 times, stretching free leg to 4th pos. forward and back instead of to 2nd pos. as above.

"Temps de cuisse" means thigh exercise without change of weight therefore it is used by some authorities for the swinging of the free leg while supporting foot stands in 1st pos., both knees kept straight.











#### XXXVIII

## PAS BOITEUX

(Limping Step)

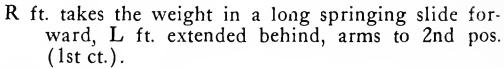


Preparation—Feet 5th pos., R ft. front.
Arms 1st pos.

Music —3/4 Mazurka time.

Rhythm of exercise 3

Complete movement—1 meas.



Hop on R ft., swinging L ft. forward, arms 2nd pos. (2nd ct.).

Leap onto L ft., R ft. extended behind, arms to 1st pos. (3rd ct.).

Repeat 8 times, R ft. leading forward.

Repeat 8 times, L ft. leading forward. Repeat 8 times, R ft. leading backward.

Repeat 8 times, L ft. leading backward.

Repeat 8 times, R ft. leading in circle. Repeat 8 times, L ft. leading in circle.

Never alternate, for then it would lose the significance of its name.









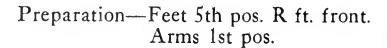
## XXXVIII



#### XXXXIX

## PAS BALLOTTÉ

(Tossing Step)



Music—3/4 (Waltz with Mazurka rhythm).

Rhythm of exercise 3

Complete movement—1 meas. (counting "three, one, two").

With weight on R ft., swing L ft. to front L diagonally en l'air and back to 3rd pos. front, cutting R ft. to rear diagonally R en l'air (ct. "three" on the part meas.).

With weight on L ft., swing R ft. to front R diagonally en l'air, and back to 3rd pos. front, cutting L ft. to rear diagonally L en l'air (ct. "one" on 1st ct. 1st meas.).

Bring L ft. to front of R ft. sur le cou-de-pied and toss it out to diagonally front L en l'air (ct. "two" on 2nd ct. of 1st meas.).

Repeat 8 times L ft. Repeat 8 times R ft.

or alternating, forward or backward.

Toe of foot en l'air should be well pointed.

When Pas Ballotté is done to 2/4 Tempo as in the English sailors' horn-pipes and other dances the raised foot is tossed twice, alternate front and back position sur le cou-de-pied instead of once as in 3/4 Tempo.









## XXXIX



#### XL

#### PAS COURANT

(Running Step)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.
Arms 1st pos.

Music-2/4 Allegro.

Rhythm of exercise— 2 1

Complete movement—1 meas. (2 accents).

Short spring forward on ball of R ft., lifting L ft. in back, arms hanging and swinging to R with the body (1st ct.).

Short spring forward on ball of L ft., lifting R. ft. in back, arms swaying to L with the body (2nd ct.).

Repeat 16, 32 or 64 times, moving in line of direction.

In running, both feet are never touching the floor at the same time.

In walking, there is a point in every step when both feet must touch the floor at the same time.

In even the lowest *leaping* or throwing steps, both feet are momentarily in the air.







## XL Courant



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#### XLI

### PAS TORTILLÉ

(Twisting Step)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front. Arms 4th pos.

Music—2/4—Moderato or Hornpipe style.

Rhythm of exercise— 2 4

Complete movement—1 meas. counting 4 to a meas. (4 "and" 1, 2, 3).

Slide L ft. to half 2nd pos. (on beginning music, the part meas. ct. 4), quickly bringing L ft. to front of R ft. 5th pos. (ct. "and").

With weight on L ft. and ball of R ft. raise R heel, slightly bending R knee, L knee straight (1st ct.).

Put down K heel, taking weight on it, at same time raising L heel, bending L knee, R knee straight (2nd ct.).

Put down L heel, taking weight on it, at same time raising R heel, bending R knee, L knee straight (3rd ct.).

Feet are now in 5th pos. L ft. front, R heel raised, R knee slightly bent.

Repeat reversing—sliding R ft. to half 2nd pos. (ct. 4), then quickly bring R ft. to front of L ft. 5th pos. (ct. "and") and so on.

Repeat 8 times alternating forward.

Repeat 8 times alternating backward.











#### XLI I

#### BONDISSANT

(Bounding Step)



Preparation—Feet 5th pos. L ft. front.

Arms 1st pos., épaulement, left shoulder front.

Music--3/4 Mazurka.

Rhythm of exercise  $\frac{3}{4}$ 

Complete movement—1 meas.

Plié on the incomplete first meas. of music (ct. "and"). Spring to R diagonal front, landing on R ft., turning body to L, bringing L ft. to back of R sur le cou-de-pied, and arms to 4th pos. (1st ct.).

Turn slightly L on R ft., inward turn (2nd ct.). Bring L ft. front in 5th pos. as at first (3rd ct.).

There is a technical difference between bondir (to bound), sauter (to hop), and jeter (to throw). Bounding is a change of weight implying buoyancy; hopping is done on one foot without change of weight; throwing is a leap, a change of weight implying firmness.





## XLII Bondissant





# Part II Advanced

#### XLIII

# SOUBRESAUT (Gambol)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.

Arms 1st pos., épaulement, R shoulder front.

Music—6/8—Tarantella time (accents on 1st and 4th cts. of each meas.).

Rhythm of exercise  $\frac{6}{8}$   $\frac{7}{7}$   $\frac{7}{7}$   $\frac{7}{7}$ 

Complete movement—1 meas. (2 accents).

Leap from R ft. to R side, turning body R, bringing arms to 2nd pos. (1st accent—1st ct.).

Turn, keeping feet together till just on point of landing (2nd and 3rd cts.).

Land on R ft. with L leg extended back in a horizontal line from hip, arms 2nd pos. (2nd accent of 1st meas.—4th ct. of 1st meas.).

Lower L ft. to 5th pos. and arms to 1st pos. (ct. 5 and 6 of 1st meas.).

Repeat 8 times leaping R.

Repeat 8 times leaping L (reversing).











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### XLIV

### PIQUÉ

### (Stabbing Step)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front, en face.
Arms 1st pos.

Music—4/4 very staccato.

Rhythm of Exercise— 44

Complete movement—on each ct.

Bend R knee, bring R ft., passé la jambe, ankle to front of very straight L knee, arms to 3rd pos. (extra ct. in part meas. on the ct. "and").

R ft. to 5th pos. in back, straighten knee and drop arms slightly (1st ct.).

Bend L knee, bring L ft. passé la jambe, ankle to front of very straight R knee, arms to 3rd pos. ct. "and").

L ft. to 5th pos. in back, straighten knee and drop arms slightly (2nd ct.).

Repeat 32 times moving backward.

Repeat 32 times moving forward (by reversing movements.

(Piqué is from piquer—to sting, to stab.)

This step is done only on the toe and is like the movement made by the needle of a sewing machine.







### ADAGIO

### (Slow movement)







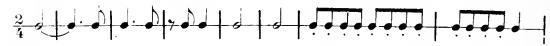




Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front. Arms 2nd pos.

Music—2/4 Andante (though the Adagio may be done to other slow tempos).

Rhythm of exercise—



Complete movement—8 meas. (of 2 cts. each).









# XLV Adagio



### XLVI

### PETITE PIROUETTE

### Sur le cou-de-pied

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.
Arms 1st pos., épaulement, R shoulder front.

Rhythm of exercise—  $\frac{6}{8}$ 

Music—6/8 Moderato. Complete movement—2 meas.

Step to 2nd pos. with R ft. and bring arms to 2nd pos. (2 cts.—1 meas.).

Demi plié to give impetus to the turn which follows—sharply straighten R leg into position as support, bring L ft. quickly to front of R ft. sur le cou-de-pied, the arms aiding the turning impetus by swinging forcefully into 1st pos. while whole turn is taken on toe of R ft. After completing turn bring L ft. down to 5th pos. (2 cts.—1 meas.).

Repeat 8 times, turning R.

Repeat 8 times, turning L, reversing all.

In pirouette, the face should be turned away from the spectator as short a time as possible.

This pirouette may be practised in a double or even triple turn on the supporting leg.

It is the simplest of the *pirouettes*, but it must be an artistically executed complete "turn of the body upon the point of one foot" to deserve its name. "Pirouette" is a diminutive of the French dialectal word "piroue," meaning a whirliging or little wheel.







Petit Pirouette



### XLVII

# PIROUETTE, á la Seconde (In second en l'air)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos., R ft. front.

Arms 1st pos., épaulement, R

shoulder front.

Music—4/4—Allegro (4 accents)—(or 2/4 or 6/8, having 2 accents).

Rhythm of exercise— 4

Complete movement—1 meas. of 4/4.

En dehors (outside turn).

Step R ft. to 2nd pos., strongly, plié with turning impulse, arms to 2nd pos. (1st accent).

Lift L leg to horizontal, hip high 2nd pos., while quickly straightening R knee, turning on R supporting leg, both knees very straight, swinging arms up to 3rd pos. to aid turning (2nd accent).

Continuing these positions while turning (3rd accent). Finish, bringing L leg down, taking the weight on L ft., raising R ft. to front of L leg, sur le cou-de-pied, and arms to 1st pos. (4th accent). For en dedans (inside turn) reverse directions, turning to L.

Repeat 8 times to R (en dehors) on R ft. Repeat 8 times to L (en dedans) on R ft. Reverse all on L ft.









### **XLVIII**

### PIROUETTE

(En attitude et en arabesque)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos., R ft. front.

Arms 1st pos., épaulement, R

shoulder front.

Music:-3/4—(with main accent on 1st ct. of each meas.).

Rhythm of exercise— 3

Complete movement—2 meas.

Step forward on R ft. in attitude position, arms 6th pos. (1st ct., 1st accent, not the part meas.). Hold (2nd ct.).

Quick plié (3rd ct.).

Take weight on L ft., with strong turning impulse straightening both knees; the L knee straight for the whole turn, the R knee relaxed immediately to bring R ft. up in back, knee bent during turn; swing arms in same 6th pos. around to L with body (4th ct.—2nd accent).

with body (4th ct.—2nd accent). Turning en arabesque (5th ct.).

Finish with R ft. front of L leg, sur le cou-de-pied, and arms to 1st pos. (6th ct.).

Repeat 8 times, turning L.

Repeat 8 times, turning R on R ft, (reversing directions of movement).

Outward pirouettes usually end sur le cou-depied, and the inward, either en attitude, en arabesque or with a pas de Basque.









### XLVIII

# Pirouette, en attitude

et en arabesque

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### XLIX

### TOUR EN L'AIR

(Turn in the air)







Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front. Arms 1st pos.

Music—2/4 Allegretto.

Rhythm of exercise  $\frac{2}{4}$ 

Complete movement—2 meas. (making 4 cts.).

Demi plié, feeling impulse to turn R (1st ct.).

Strong jump both ft., turning R in the air, arms to 3rd. pos. (2nd ct.).

Landing both feet in reversed 5th pos.—L ft. front, arms 2nd pos. (3rd ct.).

Bring arms to 1st pos., ready to repeat to L (4th ct.). Repeat 8 times, alternating R and L turns.









XLIX Tour en l'air



# PIROUETTE FOUETTÉE

(Whipped pirouette)







Preparation—Feet 5th pos., R ft. front, en face.
Arms 1st pos.

Music—2/4 or 12/8—Allegro.

Rhythm of exercise 2

Complete movement described using 1 meas. (counting 4 to a meas.).

Whip R leg up to 2nd pos. en l'air, horizontal line from hip, elevé on straight leg, and arms to 2nd pos., with impulse to turn R (1st ct.).

Turn whole turn R with force on L ft., bending R leg passé la jambe, ankle in front of L knee, very straight L knee, and bringing arms to 1st pos. (2nd ct.).

Lower L heel for a moment then elevé and arms to 2nd pos., giving renewed impulse to turning; whip R ft. out to R side, in horizontal line from hip, still turning on L ft., with very straight knee; accent comes on the "whip" (3rd ct.).

Turning whole turn R again, constantly on same L ft. bending R leg passé la jambe, and arms to 1st pos. (4th ct.).

Repeat 16 times, turning R on L ft. Repeat 16 times, turning L on R ft.







# Pirouette Fouettee



### CHAINÉ

### (Turns linked chain fashion)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.

Arms 1st pos. épaulement R shoulder front.

Music—12/8 of 4 cts. (or 4/4 having 4 groups of triplets).

Slow or fast as ability of dancer warrants.

Rhythm of exercise—, 4

Complete movement—2 turns for each meas.

Step R ft. to R side, making half turn on it, bringing arms to 2nd pos. L ft sur le cou-de-pied (1 ct.).

Step on L ft. continuing other half of turn, arms to 1st pos. R ft. sur le cou-de-pied (2nd ct.). In very fast chaîné keep arms all the time in

3rd pos.

Repeat 16 times turning R in straight line.

Repeat 16 times turning L in straight line.

Repeat 16 times turning R in circle. Repeat 16 times turning L in circle.

Chaîné is a series of unbroken turns in a given direction, formed of half turns on alternating feet. Do not confuse with pirouette which is a whole turn on one foot.











### LII

### RENVERSÉ

(Inverted—the "turned over" step)









Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front. Arms 1st pos. Music—3/4 (Waltz rhythm).

Rhythm of exercise 3

Complete movement—4 meas.

Weight on L ft., arms to 5th pos. Lift R knee to height of hip, pointing toe well down to L knee, L supporting leg very straight (1st ct.),

Stretch R leg to front and on in circular horizontal

line to side (2nd ct.).

Continue moving R leg in same circular line, and as it reaches straight back, jump on L ft. bending body forward, arms to 4th pos. (3rd ct.) preparing for R turn,

Step on R ft., croisé en dehors, turning body bent back from waist line, facing up and around toward R, arms 4th, R arm up while turning (1st

and 2nd cts. of 2nd meas.),

Step on L ft. backwards, keep on turning R, body is bent backward, facing up, arms 4th pos. (3rd ct. of 2nd meas.),

Finish the turn (one whole turn), stepping on R ft., body upright, arms 2nd pos. (1st, 2nd and 3rd ct. of 3rd meas.),

Feet 5th pos. R ft. front, arms 1st pos. hold (4th whole meas.),

Repeat 4 times.

Repeat 4 times turning L.











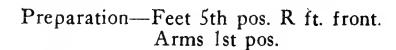


### LIII

### CABRIOLE

### (Caper—literally a goat leap)





Music—3/8 Allegro (accents on 1st and 3rd cts. of each meas.).

Rhythm of exercise  $\frac{3}{8}$ 

Complete movement—2 meas.



### Simple cabriole

Demi plié with weight on R ft., arms 1st pos. (1st and 2nd cts.).

Leap high diagonally forward and, while in air, hit calf of R leg with calf of L leg, arms 3rd pos. (3rd ct.).

Land on L ft., keeping R ft. extended forward, arms to 1st pos. (1st ct. of 2nd meas.).

Dropping R ft. back to 5th pos. front, arms 1st pos. (2nd and 3rd cts.).

Repeat 8 times R forward. Repeat 8 times L forward.

Repeat 8 times alternating forward.

Repeat 8 times alternating backward. Repeat 8 times alternating to side.

Repeat 8 times en tournant.

Cabri is a young goat.

In character dancing cabriole is made hitting the heels en l'air instead of the calves.

There are many varieties of cabriole petite et grande.







## LIII Cabriole



### PAS BRISÉ

(Broken Step)

Preparation—Feet 5th pos., L ft. front.

Arms 1st pos., épaulement L shoulder front.

Music-4/4 or 2/4, fast March.

Rhythm of exercise— 4

Complete movement—1 meas. (4 cts.).

Slide R ft. to side en l'air, arms 2nd pos. (1st ct., ignoring part meas.).

Jump on L ft. to diagonal L front, beating R ft. to front of L ft.—then to back (2nd ct.).

Land on both feet, 5th pos., L ft. front, arms 1st pos., épaulement L shoulder front (3rd ct.).

Rest with feet 5th pos. L ft. front (4th ct.).

Repeat 8 times starting L forward. Repeat 8 times starting R forward.

Repeat 8 times L jumping back R, beating back and front.

Repeat 8 times R jumping back L, beating back and front.

Difference between brisé and entrechat is: In brisé one ft. actually beats while the other only assists the movement. In entrechat both feet beat. Brisé is assemblé with beating.







LIV Brisé



### LV

### ENTRECHAT

### (Woven or braided beatings)

### Even numbers

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. R ft. front.
Arms 1st pos.
(same for all)

Music—4/4 Allegro. Rhythm of exercise—



Complete movement—meas. (ct. "one and two and").

Two beatings (1 with each leg):

(This is the simplest form of entrechat, and is like changement de pieds with beatings.)

Jump both feet separating and beating calves of the legs together, R ft. front, L ft. back, separating again (all on the upward movement of the jump), arms 1st pos. all the time (ct. "one and"),

Land with feet 5th pos. L ft. front (ct. "two and"),

Rest (ct. "three and four") or repeat the jump, counting "three and four").

Finish with feet 5th pos. reversed each jump. Repeat 16 times.

Quatre

Six

Royal

Four beatings (2 with each leg):

Jump as above—R ft. beats front and back while L ft. is beating back and front, arms 3rd pos. (ct. "one and"),

Land with feet 5th pos. R ft. front as at start (ct. "two and"), Rest or repeat jump (ct. "three and four").

Repeat 16 times.

Six beatings (3 with each leg):

Jump as above—R ft. beats front, back and front, while L ft. is beating back, front and back, arms 3rd pos. (ct. "one and"),

Land with feet 5th pos. L ft. front reversed each jump (ct. "two and"),

Rest or repeat as above (ct. "three and four").

Repeat 8 or 16 times.

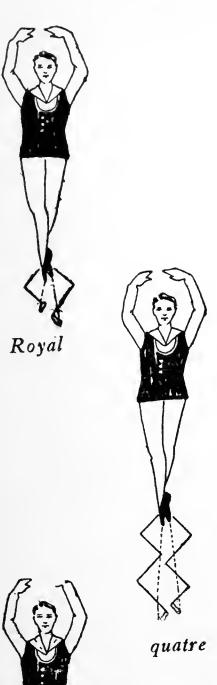
Huit

Eight beatings (4 with each leg):

Jump as above—R ft. beats front, back, front and back, while L ft. is beating back, front, back and front, arms 3rd pos. (ct. "two and").

Land with feet 5th pos. R ft. front as at start (ct. "two and"), Rest or repeat as above (ct. "three and four").

Repeat 8 or 16 times.





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# LV

Entrechat Royal, Quatre, Six et Huit.

MOSKOWSKI



# Trois Cinq Sept



LVI

### ENTRECHAT

### (Woven or braided beatings)

Odd numbers

Preparation—Feet 5th pos. L ft. front. Arms 1st pos.

(same for all)

Music—2/4 Allegretto. Rhythm of exercise—

trois cinq sept

Complete movement—1 meas. (counting 2 to a meas.).

Trois

Three beatings (2 with one leg, 1 with the other):

Jump both feet separating and beating calves of the legs together, R ft. back and front and extend to rear, while L ft. is beating front and taking weight, arms 1st pos. (ct. "one and"),

Land on L ft. open pos., R ft. extended back and up (ct.

"two").

Repeat 16 times

Cinq

Five beatings (3 with one leg, 2 with the other):

Jump as above, R ft. beats back and front, while L ft. is beating front, back and front and extended to rear, arms

3rd pos. (ct. "one and"), Land on R ft. open pos., L ft. extended back and up (ct.

"two").

Repeat 16 times.

Cinq a terre

Five beatings (ending in closed pos.):

From 5th pos. L ft. front—grand assemblé, sending R leg to side horizontal from hip and down, beating in back, separating both legs, R ft. beating front and back while L ft. beats back and front, arms 5th pos. (ct. "one and"),

Land in closed 5th pos. R ft. front (reverse of start)— (ct. "two").

Repeat 16 times.

Sept

Seven beatings (4 with one leg, 3 with the other):

Jump both feet separating and beating calves together, R ft. back, front, back and front and extend to rear, while L ft. beats front, back and front and takes the weight, arms 5th pos. (ct. "one and"),

Land on L ft., open pos., R ft. extended rear horizontally,

en attitude, croisé (ct. "two").

Repeat 16 times.

LVI



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# Potpourri of Exercises

# POTPOURRI OF EXERCISES

Introduction—(4 beats or counts)				(1)
Rest on counts of 1 and 2. On 3		_	<u> </u>	
turned with L shoulder front, arm				
hand slightly up. R shoulder back, as line with hip. Hold attitude during 4		nally down		(1)
I.—Port de Bras L		• ,•	1 meas.	(2)
Hold and rest	•		1 meas.	(3)
Port de Bras L		•	l meas.	(4)
Hold and rest ,	• • •		1 meas.	(5)
Three Battements tendus, resting on			1 meas.	(6)
Three Battements tendus, resting on		•	meas.	(7)
	First phrase	• •	6 meas.	
II.—Seven Pas de Bourrée en tournant,	on 8th raise R. l	leg front	for	
Grand Battements		:	1 meas,	(8)
Grand Battement—R. front on 1st a			•	(0)
3d and 4th			I meas.	(9)
3rd and 4th		to side	1 meas,	(10)
Four Glissades to R. side	•	•	1 meas.	(11)
Repeat Bourrées, Grand Battements, an	d Glissades .		_	(12, 13)
				14 & 15)
	Second phrase	•	8 meas.	
III.—[Same melody as phrase I.]				
Port de Bras R		. 4	1 meas.	(16)
Hold and rest		•	1 meas.	(17)
Port de Bras R			1 meas.	(18)
Hold and rest	•	•	meas.	(19)
	Third phrase	•	4 meas.	
IV.—Assemblé—1st count, hold 2d. Assem	blé 3rd, hold 4th		1 meas.	(20)
Pas Echappé—1st count, hold 2d. Je			meas.	(21)
Pas de Bourrée, en tournant (turning F	•	16 steps)	_	(22 & 23)
Repeat Assemblé, Echappé, Jeté and B	outtec 101 .	•	4 meas.	(24, 25
	Fourth phrase		8 meas.	26 & 27)
		•	o meas.	
V.—Chassé front—1st count, Chassé back				(20)
Chassé front—3rd count, Chassé bac Chassé R. side 1st count, Chassé L. s		•	meas.	(28)
Chassé R. side 3rd count, Chassé L. s.		6	1 meas.	(29)
D 1 D	· · ·	•		(30 & 31)
Assemblé on 1st and 3rd count of e	_	mes .		(32, 33
				34 & 35)
	Fifth phrase		8 meas.	
VI.—Two Pas de Chat—1st and 3rd count			1 meas.	(36)
Three small Pas de Chat-1st, 2d and	3rd count, resting	g on 4th	1 meas.	(37)
Three Echaphés—1st, 2d and 3rd cou			1 meas.	(38)
Three Echappés—1st, 2d and 3rd cou		•	l meas.	(39)
Small pirouettes—4, 3, 2, or 1 to a m	neasure .	•	4 meas.	(40, 41
	Sixth phrase		8 meas.	42 & 43)
	Direct Philase	•		(44 - 51)
VII.—Chaîné—forming a circle.	S	•	The second secon	(44 to 51)
	Seventh phrase	•	8 meas.	
VIII.—Ballonné—4 times			4 meas.	(52, 53
	E: 1 .1 1			54 & 55)
	Eighth phrase	•	4 meas.	

IX.—Pas de Bourrée—16 steps		2 meas. (56 & 57) 6 meas. (58 to 63) 8 meas.
[Same melody as phrase I.]  X.—Relevé—front and side and to 5th position  Relevé—front and side and to 1st position  Grand Rond de Jambe, 2 counts. Repeat, 2 counts  Four Battements Serrés en tournant  Four Battements Serrés en tournant  Four Battements Serrés en tournant  Tenth phrase  XI.—[Same melody as phrase II.]	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1 meas. (64) 1 meas. (65) 1 meas. (66) 1 meas. (67) 1 meas. (68) 1 meas. (69) 6 meas.
Ballonné, 2 counts. Ballonné, 2 counts.  Pas de Chat, 2 counts. Pas de Bourrée en tournant, 2 counts.  Chassé front, back, front, back.  Pas Echappé, 1st count, hold 2nd count. 5th position, counts.  Repeat measures 70, 71, 72 and 73.	3rd and	1 meas. (73) 4 meas. (74, 75 76 & 77)
Eleventh phrase		8 meas.
XII.—[Same melody as phrase III.]  Relevé up—for 4 counts	• •	1 meas. (78) 1 meas. (79) 1 meas. (80) 1 meas. (81) 4 meas.
•	•	i incas.
XIII.—[Melody reminiscent of phrases IV and V.]  Arabesque—L. arm front—hold pose  Arabesque—R. arm front—hold pose	• •	1 meas. (82) 3 meas. (83, 84
Arabesque, turning R		4 meas. (87, 88
Gradually into 5th position (on 1st count of meas. 92)		89 & 90) 2 meas. (91 & 92) 1 meas.
XIV.—[Same melody as phrase VI.]		TT Medo.
Jeté, 1 count, Pas de Bourrée en tournant, 3 counts Jeté, 1 count, Pas de Bourrée en tournant, 3 counts. Jeté, 1 count, Pas de Bourrée en tournant, 3 counts. Jeté, 1 count, Pas de Bourrée en tournant, 3 counts. Fourteenth phra		1 meas. (95) 1 meas. (93) 1 meas. (94) 1 meas. (96) 4 meas.
XV[Melody reminiscent of phrase VII.]		2 (07 09
Chaîné, 12 times for		3 meas. (97,98 & 99) 1 meas. (100)
Pas de Chat, on 2nd count of meas. 101 and Pas de Bourrée en tournant on 4th count Into Arabesque—held		1 meas. (101) 1 meas. (102) 6 meas.
XVI.—Pas de Bourrée turning slowly into large attitude.		
End in half 4th position, R. ft. front arms up.	•	4 meas. (103, 104, 105, 106)
Sixteenth phrase		4 meas.

# Potpourri of Exercises



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# Part III Dances

### Le PAPILLON ENCHANTÉ (The Enchanted Butterfly) SOLO TOE-DANCE

		SOLO TOE-DANCE		
	Cos	tume: Yellow ballet dress, yellow stockings, gold toe slippers; around t	he he	ead a
		buttercups; on the index finger of the right hand, a wire ring supporting		
fly, fiv	re inc	ches high, with black body, and black, yellow and gold gauzy wings. I	Durin	g the
		ce the dancer plays with the butterfly ring.		<b>o</b> ,
I.		Introduction. Rest	2	meas.
	A.	Pas de Bourrée on toe in circle to R, arms moving from 2nd pos. to		
		3rd pos. and from 3rd to 2nd	2	meas.
	B.	Feet in 5th pos., bend body forward; bring arms to 1st pos. for first		
		2 cts	1	meas.
		Straigthen body, bringing arms to 3rd pos. on 3rd ct., and rise on toes	_	
		on 4th ct	1	meas.
II.		Rest	_	meas.
	A.	With arms in 3rd pos., sink down on heels and rise on toes again.		meas.
		Pas de chat to R ride on R ft.; bend both knees, bending body forward,	12	1110401
	•	and bring arms to 1st pos	1	meas.
		Straighten body and bring arms to 3rd pos.; rise on toes in 5th pos.		meas.
	C	Take 6 jetés in circle to R, starting with R ft. in front and L ft. back		meas.
•		Reverse II. A, B and C to L side		meas.
		Repeat II. A three times		meas.
		Take 2 turns to R on R toe, with arms out at side; take one large leap.	1/2	iiicas.
	1.	diagonally forward to R on L ft., bringing arms from 1st to 3rd		
			1/	menc
	G	Rise on L toe, with R ft. up in front and arms in 5th pos.; sink on L	/2	meas.
	Ο.	heel, bending R knee so that the toe of R ft. will touch L knee;		
			1	<b>5</b> 2000
:	П	rise on L toe again, bringing R ft. up in back	1	meas.
	TI.	Repeat all of II. G	2	meas.
	I. T	Take 3 turns to R on R ft. and rest on 4th		meas.
	J. V	Take 6 running stans front starting with P ft. and hold in auchanaus	1 7/2	meas.
	K.	Take 6 running steps front, starting with R ft., and hold in arabesque on R ft	τ/	m 000
TIT	Λ		/2	meas,
111.	л.	Holding arabesque position, rise on R toe and sink 4 times, moving		
		diagonally back to L, arms moving from 1st to 3rd pos. and 3rd	21/	
	D	to 1st	4/2	meas.
	D.	Pas de Bourrée, and bend L knee, bringing R ft. slightly up in front,	1/	
	_	arms going from 1st to 2nd pos		meas,
		Take one turn to R on R ft		meas.
	D.	1		meas.
	E.	A	•	meas.
		Take 3 Chaînés to R side	1	meas.
	G.	Pas de Bourrée in same place, swaying arms (from elbow) to L and	1	
***	<b>A</b>	and R	1	meas.
IV.	A.	Standing in 5th pos. (R ft. front), bend both knees and bend body		
		from waist forward, bringing arms to 1st pos.; straighten body	T /	
	D	and bring arms to 3rd pos.	1/2	meas.
	B.	Take one step back on L ft. and bring R ft. up to L, jump on L ft.,		
		turning body to L and bend R knee. When you land, straighten	1	4
	_	R leg in back, bringing arms from 1st to 3rd pos.		meas.
		Glissade R., cabriole on L, pas de bourrée, ½ turn to L	1	meas.
	D.		1 7 /	
	-	pos. and from 2nd to 1st		meas.
	E.	Repeat IV. A. B. and C	· ·	meas.
**	F.			meas.
V.		Take 8 chaînés to R	4	meas.
	B.	Moving diagonally back to L (R ft. in front) ciseaux, coupé back,		
		assemblé L	_	meas.
YYY		Repeat V. B three times	3	meas.
V1.	A.	Jump to R side on R ft., bringing L ft. up in front, arms in 3rd pos.;	1	
		pas de bourrée turn to R	_	meas.
T # T Y		Repeat VI. A three times	3	meas.
VII.	A.		1	<b>m</b>
,		and arms in 3rd pos	1	meas.

## Le Papillon Enchanté



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### ORIENTAL TORCH DANCE

### (SOLO)

with slarge clasp long) wide;	in lasilver pearl faster are faster cloth	public performance credit must be given for the authorship of this dance. TUME: Headdress—a silver cloth band four inches wide encircling the head; attached to it, three six-inch coops over each ear, and two twelve-inch strands of pearls passing under the chin. Bolero of blue velocity one inch wide and edged with one-inch pearl fringe (made of very small pearls, each strand endire); at each shoulder four eight-inch strands of pearls caught in loose loops edging the armhole of the bolero; and bolero in front—from which to each side two strands of pearls (one ten inches and the other eighter estooned, ending in beaded medallion at each side of the bolero. Skirt of grey chiffon with silver lace fifter of-silver belt eight inches wide, below which hang twelve ten-inch strands of pearls. Harem trousers of goled around the ankle, under the knee and above the knee. Feet—preferably bare, or with soft silver ballet sliver holds a torch, fifteen inches long, burning incense.	vet bound ig in one diamond een inches een inches ld-colored
I.		Introduction: Dancer is off stage for 10 meas. of music. On the 11th meas, she enters at centre, holding pose—with torch in both hands up in back of head, feet in 1st pos.—for 11th and 12th	12 meas.
II.	A.	meas	2 meas.
	B.	Reverse step with L ft	2 meas.
	C.	Standing with both feet together and still holding torch with both hands, bring torch forward and	2
	D	down, and gradually raise it up in front above forehead	3 meas.
-	· Ρ.	body, R arm up in front of head, holding torch, elbow bent	1 meas.
	E.	Starting with L ft., both knees bent, keeping body turned front, turning head facing directly over L	1
		shoulder, palm of L hand resting on top of head, L elbow bent in front of face, R hand extended to	2
	F.	2nd pos. holding torch, take 6 sinking steps in straight line to L side (R ft. crosses in front).  Turn quickly on R ft. to face R, bringing both arms extended toward L at chest level, holding torch	3 meas.
		in R hand, body toward front	1 meas.
	G.	,	•
		take 4 sinking steps in straight line to R side (one to each meas.), finishing in centre of stage, facing front, feet closed, torch in both hands extended forward	4 meas.
III.	A.		7 Ilicas.
		keeping R ft. in back, L arm in 2nd pos., R hand holding torch above head	4 meas.
	В.	With torch in both hands, high in front, take 24 very small sliding steps backward with feet together	1
	C	(6 to a meas.)	4 meas.
		very high in L hand	4 meas.
	D.	Take one step forward on R ft. to L side; arms pass through 1st pos. changing torch to R hand, L	
	E.	arm to 2nd pos., torch in R hand up in front of forehead, R elbow bent	2 meas.
	E.	With arms in same pos. as in III. D, L ft. in back, take 4 large treading* steps turning to R in place, making complete turn; finish facing front with torch held high in both hands	2 meas.
IV.	A.	Starting with L ft., take 7 sinking steps forward on half-toe and on 8th turn abruptly to R on R ft.,	
	n	torch held high in both hands	4 meas.
	В.	Starting with L ft., take 7 sinking steps turning R in circle back to place and on 8th ct. do not step on R ft.; turn abruptly to L on L ft., torch held high in both hands	4 meas.
	C.	Slide R ft. slowly forward with pointed toe, slightly lowering arms and torch	2 meas.
	D.	Bending body forward, bring base of torch to floor, torch held upright in both hands	2 meas.
	E.	Bring arms and body up and bend back, keeping torch upright in both hands	3 meas.
	F.	Straighten body and, with torch held high in both hands, pas de bourrée turning to L; finish facing front, weight on L ft. R ft. in back	1 meas.
V.	A.	Standing with weight on L ft. front, bend both knees and sway body and arms (with torch kept	incus.
		upright in both hands) slowly forward, to side and to back in large circle to L	4 meas.
	B. C.	Repeat, ending in pas de bourrée turning R	4 meas.
	C.	(1 meas. each)	2 meas.
	D.	Pas de bourrée turning L, holding torch in front of head in both hands, both elbows bent low .	2 meas.
777	Ε.	Repeat V. C and D	4 meas.
VI.	A.	Starting with R ft., crossing L ft. over R ft., take 2 sinking steps in very large circle around stage—starting with body turned front, arms extended, to 2nd pos., R hand holding torch, head turned fac-	
			16 meas.
VII.	A.	Holding torch with both hands extended in front, take an arabesque on R ft. and hold	5 meas.
	B.	Kneel on both knees, facing audience; bring base of torch to floor, arms extended, head bowed.	I meas.
	Ċ.	Straighten body still kneeling and hold torch as high as possible with both hands, head thrown back looking at the torch	1 meas.
	* ("T	reading step": May be done in straight line or turning. In turning the rear foot is half-toe and acts as	
point.	while	forward ft. is flat on floor and takes direction, with knees bending more on flat step than on half-toe step.	"Tread-
mall	treadi	ted to pas de bourrée in that the feet are kept closely together. The circle described by the toe of forward ng steps turning is the same as that described by 4 large treading steps—the toe divides circle into 8 or 4 pages.	irts.)
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# Torch Dance

### Oriental





Torch Pance 3



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